

JOURNEYS

December is right around the corner and I love that Trinity will be a busy place. Baskets of Love has been a tradition for many years. There are a couple of changes this year. First, the proceeds have gone to AIDS relief in the past. This year your gifts will go towards the cost of our new roof on the sanctuary. The second change is that there is a \$3 minimum bid increase. Watch for lots of fun baskets to be displayed and open for bidding beginning the weekend of December 7. Bidding will end at 11 AM on December 14th. Please support this ministry by putting together a basket to donate. The donated baskets need to be to the church by 4:30 PM on Thursday Dec. 4th. Another BIG event is the reinstatement of the live Nativity and soup supper to be held at Fonner on December 7th from 5-7 PM. There will be two kinds of soup offered, chicken noodle and chili, for a free will donation. We need cookie donations and people to sign up to be in the nativity along with some sheep and a miniature donkey. And—on Dec. 7 during worship each of you will receive a special gift courtesy of the Healthy Congregations Grant committee. If those three events aren't enough, Dec, 13th will be our stargazing and caroling party beginning at 7 pm. That same day, Loaves and Fishes food distribution will take place at college park beginning at 9:30 am. Let's keep moving through the month, on Dec. 21, Rev. April will host her annual open house. The children from our church will put on their Christmas Program during worship on Dec. 21 also followed by a birthday party for Jesus. Come see what these children have in store for us. Christmas Eve services will take place at 5, 8, and 10 PM on the 24th! Our crochet group has a special gift to offer each person that evening. Add all these wonderful events on top of our regular happenings of Mathetes Bible Study, Wednesday night meals, Empowering Women, Telling Your Life Story, Way Seekers, circle meetings including a Christmas Tea, choir rehearsals and performances, children's ministries, keeping food in our little food box, helping families at Howard school with Christmas gifts, Senior Wii bowling, crocheting, coloring at the Chocolate bar, Plarn weaving. Oh yes, one last thing, Advent begins Nov. 30th, wear your stars that day! I feel incredibly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful dynamic congregation!

Want to write a Journeys article?
We'd love to read your story.
Call the church office at **(308) 382-1952**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS
THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP.....(ON SCREEN)
L: It is done.
P: God has always been in charge yesterday and today.
L: Even when things seem out of control, God's reign is on its way.
A: Let us prepare the way for God.

OPENING HYMN.....#261 "LORD OF THE DANCE"

OPENING PRAYER.....(ON SCREEN)
Come once again and feed your flock like a shepherd. Come once again, and gather up the children, the oppressed, the sick, the lonely, the humble, and the rejected of the earth. Turn our hearts to the least of your children, for if we lose them, we become lost. Reconcile us to you and to those we have hurt. On this Christ the King Sunday, join us together with neighbors, with strangers, and especially with our own household. Bring us to y our light in our time of darkness, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY.....(ON SCREEN)
DOXOLOGY.....#94

PRAYER OF DEDICATION.....(ON SCREEN)
Compassionate Shepherd, You do not abandon your flock, even when we wander or divide. You gather us in Christ, our righteousness, and teach us to live in unity, mercy, and peace. As we bring these gifts, may they be signs of our desire to follow your way—offering compassion where there has been hurt, justice where there has been harm, and hope where there has been despair. Strengthen us to live as people waiting not in fear, but in faith—serving the reign of Christ not just with words, but with lives shaped by generosity and love. In the name of the One who gathers and leads us always. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER.....(ON SCREEN)
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE.....(ON SCREEN)
LORD'S PRAYER.....#895

HYMN OF PREPARATION....
#381 "SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US"

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....JEREMIAH 23:1-6
SERMON....."THE REIGN OF CHRIST"
APOSTLE CREED.....#881
CLOSING HYMN.....#370 "VICTORY IN JESUS"
BENEDICTION

Assistive listening devices are available to anyone that needs it to experience our worship services to the fullest.



Reign of Christ Saturday
6 PM Traditional Worship
November 22nd, 2025

SENIOR PASTOR...Rev. April Wegehaupt
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SATURDAY WORSHIP IN GOLLAHER CHAPEL
Traditional.....6 PM
SUNDAY WORSHIP IN SANCTUARY
Traditional or CrossPoint....9:30 AM

WELCOME ☆ CONNECT ☆ DISCOVER

We speak to God before the service,
God speaks to us during the service,
We Speak to each other after the service.

Volunteers For Service

Greeters	Ushers	Reader
Linda Sample, Pam Balderston	Sandy & Ken Kendall	Lynne Coates

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Live Nativity Meeting . . .
is Sunday, November 23rd. In Miller Hall after worship.

No Wednesday Night Meals this week . . .
due to Thanksgiving. Thank you. Happy Holidays.

Get your order in for our beef enchiladas . . .
By November 26th! We are selling by the dozen (12 for \$20), or half dozen (6 for \$10). Get some to enjoy during Advent or other special times by freezing. Prepaid only and pickup will be December 3rd. Proceeds go to the roof. Thank you.

The next Trinity 5th Sunday . . .
is **November 30th** and the theme is stars for the start of Advent. So wear your stars!

Way Seekers Book Study will begin . . .
a four-week Advent study Nov. 30. We will discuss the book, Voices of Advent, by Matthew Skinner. This book leads readers through many scripture passages, exploring how they shape our lives and our Christmas celebrations. We will consider the impact of Jesus' birth during a wide time span, from the faithful people and poets who anticipated the magnificence of the savior's birth to the angels and visionaries who praised God at the time of Jesus' birth, from John the Baptist, preparing the way for the Messiah as Jesus was about to begin his ministry, to Jesus promising to return to us in the future. Way Seekers meets each Sunday at 10:45 a.m. in Room C. Everyone is welcome to join us for this study. Books will be available in the church office. For more information, contact Bette Pore at 308-383-7299 or randbpore@gmail.

Volunteers needed December 2nd . . .
to assemble enchilada orders. Contact Rev. April. Thank you.

Baskets of Love . . .
Silent Auction is December 6th - 14th with bids ending at 11 AM. Baskets need to be dropped off the week prior, by Thursday December 4th. Proceeds go to the roof. Thank you.

Questions or comments?
Please contact the church during office hours. Thank you.

We Cordially Invite Everyone . . . in this congregation to become a member of this church, a working member. Call the church if you would like to talk it over with someone.

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Loaves & Fishes Food Distribution . . .
December 13th, 2025 at College Park 3180 W Highway 34. Enter Tech Boulevard. Distribution is at **9:30 a.m.** until Food is gone. It is best to arrive between 9 am and 11 am. Do not arrive before 7:30 a.m. *This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

Hospital Visits & Prayer Chain . . .
If you or a loved one is in the hospital and would like to be visited or put on the prayer chain for prayer, please get in touch with the office. *Due to HIPAA security rules, Regional Medical Center cannot release the names of patients to the church.*

Advent . . .
Celebrate the coming of Christ all month long with our Advent kits! All materials are FREE and are available. Choose from these activities to make a custom Advent kit for your family:

- devotional book
- Advent calendar
- ornament craft
- star gazing party on December 14
- star diffraction glasses
- Bethlehem soup

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals . . .
are Sundays and Wednesdays. It is required to attend 4 plus rehearsals! Check the practice schedule with Christina.

Our 34th Live Nativity & Soup Supper . . .
is Sunday, December 7th from 5 - 7 PM at Fonner Park. This is free-will fundraiser for food pantries. Chili and chicken noodle soups end at 6:30 PM.

Our sympathies to the family of . . . Phyllis L Anderson



CALENDAR

November 23rd - 30th

Sunday
9:30 AM CrossPoint Worship, Sanctuary, Nursery
10:30 AM Fellowship Time, The Gathering Place
Live Nativity Meeting, Miller Hall
PreK - Elementary Sunday School, Nursery
Sharing Our Life Stories, Youth Room
Way Seekers Study, Room C
Christmas Pageant Rehearsal, Zone Room
Youth Handbell Choir, Handbell Room

Monday
4:30 PM Senior Wii Bowling, Youth Room

Tuesday
10:00 AM Staff Meeting, The Gathering Place
1:00 PM Mathetes Study Group, Youth Room

Wednesday
9:30 AM *Newsletter Folding, The Gathering Place*
1:00 PM Bulletin Folding, Parlor
Thursday Office Closed Thanksgiving
Friday Office Closed

Saturday
5:00 PM Scripture Discussion, Parlor
6:00 PM Worship, Gollaher Chapel
7:00 PM Fellowship Time, The Gathering Place
Sunday Star Sunday - Trinity 5th Sunday
9:30 AM Together Worship, Sanctuary
10:30 AM Fellowship Time, The Gathering Place
PreK - Elementary Sunday School, Nursery
Sharing Our Life Stories, Youth Room
Way Seekers Study, Room C
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